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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR URGES GOC TO OPPOSE IRAN'S CANDIDACY
FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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¶C. STATE 66050

Classified By: Ambassador Craig A. Kelly. Reasons: 1.4 (b and d).

¶1. (C) Following up on his earlier demarche (reftel B), the Ambassador telephoned Chilean Deputy Foreign Minister Alberto Van Klaveren on May 8 to urge Chile to oppose Iran's candidacy for the Human Rights Council. Van Klaveren reiterated Chile's position of supporting only those countries committed to promoting and protecting human rights.

While noting he had not seen the final list of countries Chile would support, Van Klaveren said he would be "very surprised" to see Iran on the list.

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